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Configuration
Decision: OCFO 11-09

Date:

To: USDA Agencies

Subject: Financial Management Modernization Initiative (FMFI) – Commitment Item

PURPOSE

The purpose of this configuration decision is to provide USDA's policy on Commitment Item in FMFI.

DECISION

A commitment item defines how funds are either controlled or spent within FMFI. The commitment item is the equivalent of the four-digit budget object class, sub-budget object class, or revenue source code. The commitment item is associated with a Standard General Ledger (SGL) account and sub-account to classify business transactions. There is a one-to-one relationship between the commitment item and a SGL account and sub-account if the business transaction relates to a revenue or expense. If the commitment item is a balance sheet item it is possible to have a one-to-many relationship with a SGL account and sub-account.

Commitment Items are applicable across the USDA and are centrally maintained by the OCFO.

INQUIRIES

Questions concerning this configuration decision should be directed to the Systems Analysis and Requirements Division at **(202) 205-4830**.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This configuration decision is effective October 1, 2009.

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